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William Leigh Brent was a lawyer. He went to Louisiana just after his marriage, being commissioned by President Madison as Deputy-Attorney General for the Western District of the Territory of Orleans. He practiced law successfully in the Attakapas, and in 1822 was elected as the representative of Louisiana in Congress, that State being then entitled to only one Congressman. He was re-elected in 1824 and 1826. He remained in Maryland and the District of Columbia practicing law and educating his children from 1826 to 1844, when he returned to Louisiana. He died at St. Martinsville, La., July 3, 1848. His country residence, called "Pamunky," was on the Potomac, just above Indian Head. Pamunky had been, by will dated January, 1771, proved April 1, 1771, of James Cole, son of Edward Cole 3rd, and half brother to Sarah Taney, who married Ignatius Fenwick, Jr., devised to his nephew, James Fenwick, after his mother Sarah's death. James Fenwick, by will proved October 14, 1823, devised Pomonky to William Leigh Brent and wife Maria Fenwick Brent for life and then to Robert James Brent.

Robert James Brent was a lawyer of great industry and ability. The Reports of the Supreme Court of the United States and of the Court of Appeals of Maryland show the large number of cases that he argued before those tribunals. He was the last of the Attorney Generals of Maryland under the old Constitution, when the appointment was for life and when the office carried large powers of appointment of deputies in the several counties and also large emoluments by way of fees. He was appointed Attorney General of Maryland February 12, 1851, and was a member of the Constitutional Convention of that year, and being opposed to the large power reposed in the hands of one man in the person of the Attorney General under the then law, and also to the system of fees by which that officer was paid, he voted to abolish the office, and thus with great civic virtue legislated himself out of office. (Debates of the Reform Convention, Vol. 1, p. 532.)

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### BROOKE FAMILY.

(CONCLUDED.)

13. Robert<sup>3</sup> Brooke (p. 100) had issue by his second marriage with Lucy Dabney: 179. *Robert*,<sup>4</sup> of whom later; 180. Lucy; 181. Elizabeth; 182. William; 183. Child.

29. John Taliaferro<sup>4</sup> and Ann Cary (Selden) Brooke had issue: 184. Laura, died unmarried; 185. *Samuel*,<sup>5</sup> of whom later; 186. Ann Mason Mercer, born 1804, died 1864; 186. Francis John,<sup>5</sup> born 1808 (1802 according to one account); brevet 2d lieutenant 7th Infantry, U. S. A., July 1, 1826; 2d lieutenant 6th Infantry July 1, 1826; regimental adjutant April 1, 1833, to August 1, 1836; 1st lieutenant May 6, 1835; killed December

25, 1837, at Okechobee, Fla., in battle with the Seminole Indians; 187. *Henry Laurens*,<sup>5</sup> of whom later.

174. Robert Spotswood<sup>5</sup> Brooke, born September, 1800; died May 14, 1851; cadet U. S. Military Academy October 1, 1816; lieutenant U. S. A., resigned December 1, 1820; member of the House of Delegates from Augusta county, Va., 1832-1843; married, first, Elizabeth Smith; secondly, Margaret Lyle Smith. Issue: (1st m.) 236. Margaret; 237. Virginia; 238. Elizabeth; (2d m.) 239. *John Francis*,<sup>6</sup> of whom later; 240. Juliet Lyle; 241. Mary Randolph Spotswood; 242. Martha; 243. *Francis Taliaferro*,<sup>6</sup> of whom later; 244. Edmund Berkeley, born 1851, unmarried.

176. George<sup>6</sup> Brooke (p. 216, of "Moreland," Fauquier county; married, about 1815, Rachel Ann Yancey, of Virginia (who died May 16, 1872), aged 77. He left home on a business trip, never returned, and, in spite of wide inquiry, nothing was ever heard of him. He had issue: 188. James Edward<sup>7</sup>, a lawyer, died unmarried in Texas; 189. Mary, married George Bradford; 190. *John Marshall*<sup>7</sup>, of whom later; 191. *Francis Irving*<sup>7</sup>, of whom later; 292. Robert, died unmarried.

177. Francis E.<sup>8</sup> Brooke, of "St. Julien," Spotsylvania county; born ———; died May, 1874; married Gabriella Brockenbrough, daughter of Col. John Ambler, of Jamestown. Issue: 192. *Francis E.*<sup>6</sup> of whom later; 193. Ambler,<sup>6</sup> of Culpeper, Va.; 194. Edward Carter,<sup>6</sup> of Richmond, Va.; 195. Katherine; 196. Mary Champe Carter; 197. Ella Ambler.

179. Robert<sup>4</sup> Brooke married Ann, daughter of General John Shee, of Philadelphia, and his wife, Catherine Lawrence, who was a daughter of Thomas Lawrence (Provincial counsellor and five times mayor of Philadelphia), and his wife, Mary, daughter of Governor Lewis Morris, of New Jersey. Issue (in addition to several daughters who died unmarried): 198. Robert Lawrence,<sup>5</sup> of Philadelphia, who was appointed 2nd lieutenant 5th Infantry, U. S. A., July 1, 1839. and resigned May 18, 1846. He married Virginia, daughter of Col. Kenderton Smith, of "Kenderton," Philadelphia, and dying March 7, 1897, left two children: Celeste Lucy and Robert L.<sup>6</sup>

185. Samuel<sup>5</sup> Brooke, born 1800; married January 5, 1825, Angelina Edrington. Issue: 199. John Mercer,<sup>6</sup> died without issue; 200. Fenton, married J. H. M. Daniel; 201. Maria Louisa, died unmarried; 202. Anne Selden, died unmarried; 203. Anne Maria, married Christopher Armat; 204. Angelina, married James Douglas Bruce; 205. *Samuel Selden*,<sup>6</sup> of whom later; 206. Virginia Tucker; 207. Louisa Selden.

187. Henry Laurens<sup>5</sup> Brooke, of Richmond, Va., a distinguished lawyer; born July 16, 1808; died February 28, 1874; married September 21, 1836, Virginia, daughter of Judge Henry St. George Tucker. Issue: 208. Evelina, married Daniel Bedinger Lucas, of Jefferson county (now West Virginia), U. S. Senator and Judge of the Supreme Court of West Virginia; 209. Anne Selden, married James Fairfax McLaughlin; 210.

Virginia, born 1842, died in childhood, 211; *St. George*,<sup>6</sup> of whom later; 212. John Taliaferro,<sup>6</sup> died in infancy; 213. Rev. Francis John,<sup>6</sup> of Romney, West Va.; a minister of the Presbyterian Church; married Gay, daughter of Efford Bentley, of Richmond, Va., and had several children; 214. Virginia Tucker, died unmarried; 215. *David Tucker*,<sup>6</sup> of whom later; 216. Henry Laurens,<sup>6</sup> born October 3, 1856; an editor in San Francisco; 217. Elizabeth Dallas; 218. Laura Beverley, married E. W. Bedinger.

190. John Marshall<sup>7</sup> Brooke, served as a soldier in the Confederate Army. He married Fanny Yerby, of Mississippi, and had issue: 218. H. Y.,<sup>8</sup> of Alabama; 219. James Edward Marshall<sup>8</sup>; 220. Mary Morris, of Washington, D. C.

191. Francis Irving<sup>7</sup> Brooke, died 1899. He married Julia V., daughter of Major — Nalle, of Virginia, and had issue: 221. Jannette James, married, in 1875, Levin Thomas Cartwright (his second wife); 222. Anne Elizabeth; 223. Alivilda Marshall, married John W. Peake, who as a boy of fifteen served gallantly in the C. S. A. at the battle of Front Royal; 224. Sarah Acklin, married Levin T. Cartwright (his third wife); 225. Letitia Ambler, married John W. Prouse, of Washington, D. C. 226. William Francis Lee Brooke,<sup>8</sup> married Mary Ball, of Virginia, and had four children.

192. Francis E.<sup>8</sup> Brooke, born at "St. Julien," 1842; died March 30, 1884; married Harriet, daughter of John B. Lightfoot, of Caroline county. Issue: 227. Francis<sup>7</sup>; 228. Lightfoot,<sup>7</sup> married Helen Sheffey; 229. Howell.<sup>7</sup>

205. Samuel Selden<sup>6</sup> Brooke, of Roanoke, Va., clerk of the courts of that city; married Elizabeth L. Young. Issue: 230. Samuel Selden,<sup>7</sup> married Anne Rucker; 231. Henry Mercer, died without issue; 232. Edgar S.,<sup>7</sup> married Mary Rucker; 234. Vera Y., married Joseph Hunter; 235. Cary Minor.

211. St. George Tucker<sup>6</sup> Brooke, born July 22, 1844; midshipman C. S. N. 1861-62; private 2d Virginia Cavalry, C. S. A., 1862-65, and three times wounded; long professor of law in the University of West Virginia. He was the author of that portion of the elaborate genealogy of the Brooke family (which has been running for several years in this Magazine) which ended with the October, 1911, Magazine. He married Mary H., daughter of Thomas A. Brown, and had several children, among them a son, St. George Tucker<sup>7</sup> Brooke, who was a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, and who has distinguished himself by his studies in English literature.

215. David Tucker<sup>6</sup> Brooke, of Norfolk, Va.; born April 28, 1852; judge of court in that city; married Lucy Higgins, of Norfolk. Issue: 245. Lucy; 246. Eloise; 247. Lawrence; 248. Mary; 249. Lena; 250. Marguerite.

239. John Francis<sup>6</sup> Brooke, of Staunton, Va.; born December 16, 1838; married Anne Carter Berkeley. Issue: 251. Isabella; 252. Robert

Spotswood,<sup>7</sup> born March 6, 1877; 253. Margaret Lyle; 254. John Francis,<sup>7</sup> born June, 1885.

243. Francis Taliaferro<sup>6</sup> Brooke, married Ann Burnley, Issue: 255. Mary Randolph Spotswood; 256. Francis Taliaferro<sup>7</sup>; 257. Elizabeth Winston.

In 1834 bounty land was granted to the heirs of William Brooke for his services in the Revolution as sergeant of Lee's Legion. These heirs were the children of 24. William Brooke (p. 215).

### THE BEVERLEY FAMILY.

(CONTINUED.)

Issue of Robert<sup>4</sup> and Maria (Carter) Beverley: 30. Byrd<sup>5</sup>; 31. Munford<sup>5</sup>; 32. *William*<sup>5</sup>; 33. Maria, married (I) Richard Randolph, of "Curles," Henrico county; (II) Gawin Corbin; 34. *Carter*<sup>5</sup>; 35. *Robert*<sup>5</sup>; 36. Lucy, married Brett Randolph; 37. Anne, married Francis Corbin, of "Buckingham House," Middlesex, and "The Reeds," Caroline; 38. *Peter Randolph*<sup>5</sup>; 39. Evelyn Byrd, married (I) George Lee, (II) Dr. Douglas, of Kentucky. 39. *McKenzie*; 40. Jane Bradshaw, married Thomas Robertson; 41. Harriet, married ——— Rittenhouse.

29. HARRY<sup>4</sup> BEVERLEY (*Robert*<sup>3</sup>), of "Hazlewood," Caroline county, was born ———, and died in 1774. He entered William and Mary College in 1756 (though his father directed in his will that his son's guardians, who were his mother and his cousin, William Beverley, of "Blandfield," should send him to England to school at the age of ten, and that he should be sent to college there, and if necessary kept there until he was twenty, and that while there he should be taught everything "necessary for a gentleman to learn.") An act of assembly was passed October, 1765 (*Hening*, VIII, 166), reciting that Robert Beverley, formerly of Spotsylvania, Esq., was seized in fee-simple of a tract called Octonia, containing 24,000 acres, in the parish of St. Thomas, Orange county [now largely in Green county], and was also seized of other lands in fee-taille, and by his will, dated May 12, 1733, devised the residue of his Octonia tract, containing 14,829 acres, to his only son, Harry Beverley; that the said Harry Beverley was also seized in fee-taille, "under donations of other ancestors, of large quantities of lands," but had few slaves; therefore the entail was docked in 9,908 acres of the Octonia land, and they were authorized to be sold and the proceeds laid out in the purchase of slaves. Another act, passed November, 1766 (*Hening*, VIII, 280), recites again the ownership of Octonia by Robert Beverley, of Spotsylvania, Esq., and states that he also owned in fee-simple a valuable tract of land in Spotsylvania, where he lived, called Newland, containing 3,600 acres, and another valuable tract of land at Portobago, in Essex, containing 2,700 acres, and that his son, Harry Beverley, was seized under other donations in taille of a tract of land